Let's worship together on this holiest of holidays! Thanks to all!

J. E. JAMERSON & SONS, INC.
Appomattox, Virginia

THE BOTETOURT CHAMBER SINGERS

Madisonville man sings in select choral group

Dennis Ramsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Ramsey, Jr. of Star Route, Madisonville, Virginia is a member of the Botetourt Chamber Singers at the College of William and Mary, a choral group which has a full schedule of concerts during the holiday season.

The select group, chosen from the ranks of the William and Mary Choir, perform at all choir concerts on campus and is frequently asked to perform for heads of state and other visiting dignitaries in Williamsburg, conventions and organizations in the area.

Continuing a traditional of several years, the Botetourt Singers will again this year sing at a holiday open house at the Governor's Mansion, which will be hosted by Governor and Mrs. Charles S. Robb.

On Saturday, December 11, the Singers have been asked to give a concert for the employees of Hampton General Hospital. The Singers will give two concerts at Ash Lawn, near Charlottesville, on December 18. Once the home of President James Monroe, Ash Lawn is owned by the College and maintained as an historic landmark in the state. It is open to visitors year-round.

One concert was originally planned at Ash Lawn but because of the heavy demand for tickets, two have been scheduled.

The Botetoirt Singers will give a concert at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond on April 10.

The group was featured during the choir's European tour in 1981 and sang in Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris and Westminister Abbey in London. The choir plans to make another European tour in 1984.

The Botetourt Singers are directed by Frank T. Lendrim, professor of music and choir director at the college.

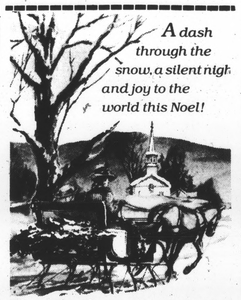
Greetings to all

It is a sincere pleasure to serve you and we value your friendship, confidence and loyalty for over thirty-three years.

May the coming year be a most Happy and Healthful one for you and your family.

Garland, Mildred and Garlene

Gaines' Jewelers
Appomattox, Va.



A dash through the snow, a silent night and joy to the world this Noel!

Thanks for your support

Mac's Lawn And Garden

Appomattox Oil Co.

Band members visit

STUDENTS FROM THE ACHS band visited second graders at Appomattox Primary School recently, and were the subject of a news story written by the pupils.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

It's that wonderful time of the year when everyone is filled with holiday spirit and cheer. May we be the first to wish you a very merry season.

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Christmas Blessings

May this joyous Noel bring you the precious gifts in life ... from spiritual contentment to peace everlasting!

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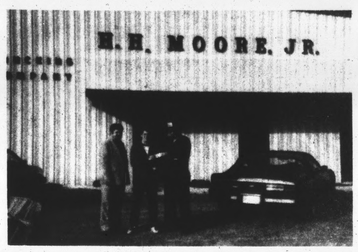


TIM MULLINS, son of Raymond and Bobby Mullins of Appomattox, won $250 in the H.H. Moore, Jr., Trucking Company softball team contest held Dec. 18. The winning ticket was drawn by Mayor Ronnie Spiggle. Timmy got his ticket from Shawn Harvey. Above, Mayor Spiggle (left) looks on as Timmy receives his prize from H.H. Moore, Jr.

Christmas Greetings

Holly, poinsettias, and pine: Symbols of the beauty of Christmas. May your holidays abound with every peace and joy.

T. Hunter Dickerson

Church Street – Appomattox, Virginia

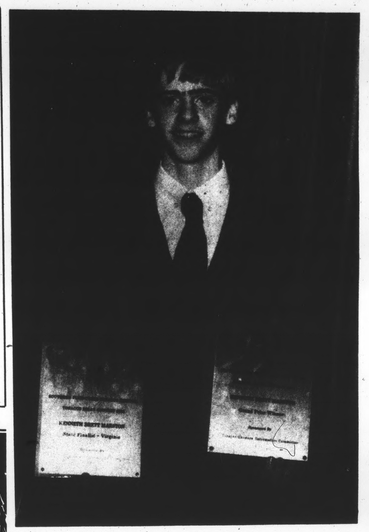
Friendly Christmas Greetings

Fill 'er up ... the season that is, with our good cheer and appreciation

FROM ALL OF US AT
DIXIE BLEND SERVICE STATION
ALLEN MAYBERRY, OWNER

What better time to say, "we wish you a holiday that's happy in every way ... with special thanks to you!"

WILKES' JEWELER
Mabel W. Simpson — Wayne C. Simpson



BRETT MARSTON displays plaques he won for his essay about tobacco in the recent Southern Flue Cured Tobacco Information Committee's Tobacco Essay Contest. The essay was judged best in the state, and grand-prize winner. Brett received a total of $600 in cash for the honor, as well as the plaques.

The songs of the season so happily express the very thoughts we wish for you ...

Merry Christmas

Merry Christmas And A Prosperous New Year
To All Our Patients & Friends

DR. VIGO H. NIELSEN
And Deloris Hopkins

May each heart and home experience the warmth of season's cheer. Our special thanks for your support.

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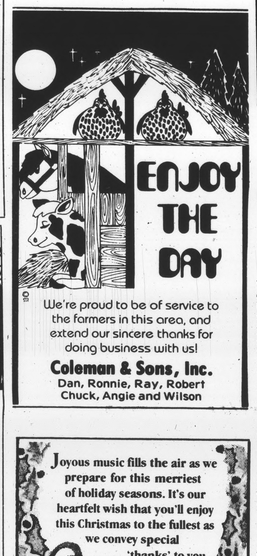
FURNITURE•TV•APPLIANCES
Bill, Minnie, Bo, Steve, and Vickie



We're proud to be of service to the farmers in this area, and extend our sincere thanks for doing business with us!

Coleman & Sons, Inc.
Dan, Ronnie, Ray, Robert
Chuck, Angie and Wilson

It's been great having you with us week after week! We'd just like to say thanks for your continued support ... best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

Happy Holiday

From All The Employees Of
Tolley's Market

May all things warm and bright be yours this Christmas! It's been a pleasure to serve you!

J.H. "JIM" FORD, JR.
AGENT
OFF: (804) 352-7916
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STATE FARM INSURANCE COMPANIES

Joyous music fills the air as we prepare for this merriest of holiday seasons. It's our heartfelt wish that you'll enjoy this Christmas to the fullest as we convey special 'thanks' to you.

PHELPS GARAGE
APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

Hoping the rafters of your home echo with the cheer and laughter of your loved ones.

We appreciate your kind patronage and wish you well.

J. E. Sears & Co., Inc.
Appomattox, Va.

Census offers profile of Virginia's farmers

A statistical comparison of Virginia farmers with their national counterparts indicates the former has higher ownership of land, works a little more off the farm and is a bit older according to the U.S. Department of Commerce's Census Bureau.

The most recent Census of Agriculture for Virginia indicates:

*Sixty-two percent of the State's 56,869 farm operators own the land they work, compared with 59 percent for the U.S. farm average.

*Twenty-seven percent of the farmers are part owners-operators who both own and rent land - and 11 percent are tenants.

The Virginia farmer's status is reflected in a review of data from the 1978 Census of Agriculture, offering a perspective in farmer characteristics, products and sales.

The statistics will be updated by the 22nd Census of Agriculture, with forms to be mailed to all farm and ranch operators in late December to collect data for 1982.

Farmers in Virginia and around the Nation are requested to aid the census by returning their report forms at the earliest possible date, with the deadline set for Feb. 15, 1983. The census provides the only uniform set of agricultural data at the county, state and national level, publishing information ranging from acreage and interest payments to costs of fertilizer and value of machinery.

In crops, hay was the acreage leader, with 979,900 acres followed by corn, 856,500; soybeans, 486,500; wheat, 125,400; peanuts, 105,600; barley, 102,300; tobacco, 76,000; orchardland, 39,600 (including 33,300 acres of apples producing 480.4 million pounds of fruit); and vegetables harvested for sale, 34,800 acres.

Other facets of Virginia agriculture as outlined by the census:

*Eighty-eight percent of the places or 50,302 were operated as individual or family farms, on a par with the national average; 5,069 were partnerships and only 1,254 were corporations.

*Eight percent of the farms were operated by women, 4,668, as compared with 52,201 by men. Nationally, 5 percent of the farms are women-operated.

*Sixty-eight percent of Virginia's farms sell less than $10,000 in farm products; 5 percent sell more than $100,000.

The statistics are from the publication, **Virginia State and County Data, Volume 1, 1978 Census of Agriculture**, available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, or from Commerce district offices in major U.S. cities.

Club reschedules tour

The Appmattox Garden Club has rescheduled its Christmas Tour of Homes for Wednesday, Dec. 22, from 2 until 6 o'clock in the afternoon. The homes featured, both in the Hixburg Community, are LOCUST HILL, home of Mrs. Luisa Gray, located on State Route 600, and "ROSE DALE", the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Gray, Jr., located on State Route 627. Tickets for the tour may be obtained at the door of each home. The cost is $1.00 for the tour.

Telephone equipment to be deregulated on Jan. 1

Beginning January 1, 1983, the sale of telephone equipment will be "deregulated." This means if Continental Telephone customers want new phones, they'll have to buy them -- they'll no longer be able to leave new telephone equipment from the phone company, according to Spencer Kiser, Continental's Customer Service Manager.

Kiser says that Continental will continue to lease and maintain equipment which is in service as of January 1. Basic telephone service continues to be regulated. "Continental will still provide its customers with access to the telephone network, with dial tone and telephone number," explained Kiser.

"If you are leasing from us now, you may continue that arrangement," Kiser said. "You also have the cnoice of buying your existing equipment or buying new equipment -- from Continental or from another supplier. By purchasing your telephone, you'll save the monthly rental fee, $2.00 a month for a rotary phone and $3.00 a month for a pushbutton phone."

If party line customers want to buy new equipment, modification may have to be made in that equipment to make it compatible with party line service. "Any party line customers who want to buy new phones should call us before they do," said Kiser. "If they connect a new phone without the phone company knowing, service of other customers on the party line could be disrupted."

Continental provides a 90-day warranty on all new purchased equipment. "We will also provide maintenance contracts after the warranty period ends," said Kiser. "However, it's the customers' responsibility to maintain the equipment they buy.

"Naturally, we hope that customers will want to buy their telephone gear from us, since we offer a complete line of products. The purchase of a new set can pay for itself in probably a year's time in leasing charge savings," said Kiser.

In addition, Continental is also offering a program of "in-place" sales, whereby residents can purchase the sets they are currently leasing from the company at a reduced price.

Continental Telephone, the second largest phone company operating in Virginia, provides service to 230,000 customers in the state.